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TO: District Safe and Drug-Free Schools Coordinators

FROM: Kimberly Smith and Beth Mackinem

Education Associates

Office of Safe Schools and Youth Services

DATE: October 6, 2006

RE: Safe and Drug-Free Schools Coordinators Fall Regional Workshops

This year, the Office of Safe Schools and Youth Services will hold Regional Safe and Drug-Free Schools (SDFS) Coordinators Fall Workshops in four cities throughout South Carolina. During the workshops, the coordinators will receive a copy of the Channing Bete, "Bullying Prevention Staff Presentation Kit" and participate in a Training of Trainers (TOT). The TOT will address identification and strategies to handle bullying issues. Additionally, training will be provided on the Principles of Effectiveness and the use of evidence/research based programs.

The sites and locations for the workshops are listed below. Registration for each workshop is at 9:30 A.M. The workshops will begin at 10:00 A.M. and conclude by 3:30 P.M. Lunch will be provided. A draft agenda and directions to each workshop will be posted to the SDFS Website at: http://ed.sc.gov/agency/offices/ssys/safe schools/sdfsc/.

October 24, 2006: Summerville
Dorchester County Adult Education
1325 Boonehill Road #A
Summerville, South Carolina

November 15, 2006: Columbia Heyward Career Center 3560 Lynhaven Drive Columbia, South Carolina October 26, 2006: Spartanburg Spartanburg Community College BMW Center – Duncan Campus 210 Commerce Court – Room 311 Duncan, South Carolina

November 16, 2006: Florence
Doctors Bruce & Lee Foundation Library
509 South Dargan Street
Florence, South Carolina

All Safe and Drug-Free Schools Coordinators are encouraged to attend one of these workshops; however, if you are unable to attend, we recommend assigning a designee from your district to attend in your place. A registration form is enclosed for your convenience. Please complete and return via fax to Julie Hicks at 803-734-4458. If you are no longer responsible for the Safe and Drug-Free Schools program, please forward this information to the appropriate person.

Should you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact Kim Smith at 803-734-8101, Beth Mackinem at 803-734-6905, or Julie Hicks at 803-734-8555. We look forward to seeing you at one of the workshops.

c: Yvonne McBride, Director Safe Schools and Youth Services